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Group Art Unit: 1723

Docket No.: GAMBRO 3.3-254 CONT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Dannenmaier et al.

Application No.: 10/813,750

: Group Art Unit: 1723

Filed: March 30, 2004

: Examiner: K. S. Menon

For: FILTERS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING
FILTERS


AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-14, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:



AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				After Final Rejection	
Application No. 10/813,750		Filing Date March 30, 2004		Examiner K. S. Menon	
				Group Art Unit 1723	
Applicant(s): Jürgen Dannenmaier, Herbert Raabe, and Manfred Pirner				Docket No. GAMBRO 3.3-254 CONT	
Invention: FILTERS AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING FILTERS					
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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
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Total Claims	14	- 20 =		x	
Independent Claims	2	- 3 =		x	
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